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In re U.S. Patent Application of:

Love et al.) Confirmation No. 1080
Serial No. 09/783,353)
Filed February 14, 2001) Examiner: John C. Hong
For **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR**) Group Art Unit: 3726
THE DESCALING OF METAL)

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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR SECTION 1.136(a) FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a), Applicants hereby respectfully petition that the time to respond to the Office Action, dated March 9, 2004, in the above-captioned application, be extended one month to July 9, 2004. The Extension fee of \$55.00 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) is enclosed.

Accompanying the filing of this Petition is Applicant's Request For Continued Examination and Applicants' Response.

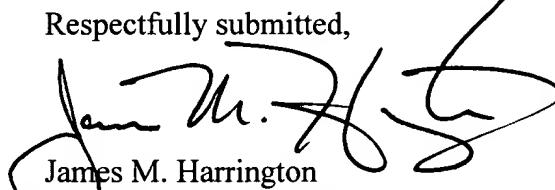
Any additional fees associated with filing this Petition for One Month Extension of Time may be charged to the undersigned's to Deposit Account No. 18-1215.

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